



submitted the Notification and a machine translation of the Notification. All the references cited by the Notification have been properly brought to the Office's attention. Thus, Applicants have fulfilled their duty of disclosure under MPEP §2001.06(a).

Furthermore, Applicants assert that a certified translation, as opposed to the submitted machine translation, is not reasonably necessary to properly examine the application. See MPEP §704.

The Office Action also requests that the Applicants submit a "specific identification of documents mentioned in the 'Notification.'" Applicants traverse this request.

The Office Action's request is unclear. As previously mentioned, all references cited by the Notification have been properly disclosed. Therefore, Applicants ask that this request be withdrawn.

#### **IV     Conclusion**

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that this rejection be withdrawn. Applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-15 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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